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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, HUMINT Committee
FROM: Executive Assistant to the DDCI
SUBJECT: Biographic Reporting

Ambassador Isham,

As you can see from the attached, [] does not favor
merging CIA and [] and the DDCI does not want to
override his views.

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- A. Ltr fr D/DIA to DDCI dtd 5 Apr 85
- B. HC 85-008 dtd 19 Feb 85

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Mr. John N. McMahon
Deputy Director for Intelligence
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. McMahon:

(C) Thank you for providing me a copy of the HUMINT Committee Working Group Report on Biographic Reporting. Unfortunately, I have serious reservations with the committee's recommendations regarding the merger of the CIA and [redacted]

[redacted] Taking everything into consideration, I feel strongly that a merger of this nature would not be in the best interests of our different sets of consumers. Further, I believe such a merger would seriously degrade our political-military and biographic analytical efforts since we work both subjects in a joint fashion.

(C) [redacted] on a regional basis. Our managers have made a conscious effort to integrate our biographic analysts into regional political-military sections. As such, they are collocated with the political-military sections throughout the Research Directorate and address information we feel critical to our overall country/region assessments. Their removal would seriously degrade our political-military analytical capability across the board.

(U) Hope this gives you a better understanding of the rationale behind my desires to continue to keep separate the CIA and [redacted]

Sincerely,

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Fair enough

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